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1. Between two to three railroad transports, escorted by strong units of the Railroad Guard (Straz Ochrony Kolejowej-S.O.K.), have been going from Bialystok to the Polish-Soviet frontier towns of Krynki (S54/B80) and Grodek (S54/G78) every week. Each train is composed of about 50 cars which are mostly enclosed boxcars.
2. A Soviet garrison, composed of infantry, engineering, and M.V.D. troops totalling two regiments, is located in the hilly forest area between Walily station and Krynki, near the Polish villages of Sluczawy, Jozefow and Szucily. In these aforementioned areas, the Soviets have constructed military barracks and underground stores for various goods which are brought in by trains, namely: uniforms, shoes, and military linen from Lodz; meat, fish, vegetables and fruit preserves from various parts of Poland; coal from Silesia; wood building materials and planks from the area of Augustow and Suwalki; and cars, trucks and other equipment. This entire area is controlled by the Soviets, and no Polish WOP (Military Border Guard) units or other Polish guards or militia are stationed there, and no Pole is allowed to enter it except Polish railroad employees who work on the trains that bring in the above-mentioned goods. The partisans allegedly attacked one of these trains near Zedziny in June 1953. There is no shipment or transshipment of goods between Poland and the U.S.S.R. through this area. Many places in this area are fenced in by barbed wire and guarded by numerous Soviet sentries.
3. The Soviets have also constructed several branch railroad lines from the Walily station (S54/G78) to Lipowy Most (S54/B60) and to Sosnowek¹, and several sturdy highways for heavy vehicles, etc. The railroad track running from the Walily station to the Soviet border is Soviet gauge, and preparations are underway to construct a Soviet-gauge railroad line from Walily to Bialystok.

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